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Honorable William E. Kennard
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, SW
Washington, DC 20554
Ex Parte contact in CC Docket Nos. 96-262, 94-1, 99-249 and 96-45

Dear Chairman Kennard:

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Sincerely,


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Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, SW
Washington, DC 20554
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Honorable Susan Ness
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, SW
Washington, DC 20554
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Honorable Harold Furchtgott-Roth
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, SW
Washington, DC 20554
Ex Parte contact in CC Docket Nos. 96-262, 94-1, 99-249 and 96-45

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